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Ronald A. Schapira
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21 October 2004

Date

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS I,

Konrad Welfonder (the "Inventor"),

residing at Loischstrasse 23, 27574 Bremerhaven, Germany, am the inventor of an invention in a *Cord Tensioner* for which invention a European patent application with serial number 03075440.2 was filed in the European Patent Office on 14 February 2003,

and I am entitled to assign my entire right, title and interest world-wide in and to the invention and any intellectual property protection for the invention, including the European patent application therefor; and

WHEREAS HUNTER DOUGLAS INDUSTRIES BV (the "Company"), having a place of business at Piekstraat 2, 3071 EL Rotterdam, The Netherlands, is desirous of obtaining my entire right, title and interest in and to the invention and any intellectual property protection for the invention, including the European patent application therefor, world-wide;


NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of one Euro (€ 1,00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is acknowledged, I hereby sell, assign and transfer to the Company, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, my entire right, title and interest world-wide in and to the invention and all applications for industrial property protection, including, without limitation, all applications for patents, utility models and designs, whether original, divisional, continuation, renewal, reissue, or the like, now on file or subsequently filed, for the invention world-wide, together with the right to file such applications and the right to claim for such applications the priority rights derived from the European patent application under any national or international intellectual property laws or agreements and any industrial property protection including, without limitation, patents, utility models and designs, now or hereafter granted, for the invention world-wide, and any extensions, renewals, reissues or the like thereof.

FURTHER I hereby authorize and request any official of any state, responsible for issuing patents or other evidence or forms of any industrial property protection, to issue the same for the invention to the Company, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with this assignment.

ALSO I hereby agree that I have the full right to convey my entire, right, title and interest in and to the invention world-wide and all applications for industrial property protection for the invention world-wide and that I have not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict with this assignment.

FURTHER I hereby agree that this assignment is to be considered effective as of the filing date of the European patent application.

Bremenhaven 23. 07. 09



Konrad Welfonder

P. B. Bahl G. BAHL
(Witness: Signature and Name)

L. Hoops L. Hoops
(Witness: Signature and Name)

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the Company, by its undersigned Director, sets its hand the day, month and year opposite its signature.

Rotterdam 127 July 2004


(Director of Company : Ronald A. Schapira)

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